

Physical Science Curriculum Support Document

Goal 5

COMPETENCY GOAL 5: The learner will build an understanding of the structure and properties of matter.			
Days	Objective	Content Description	Suggested Activities
7/180	5.01 Develop an understanding of how scientific processes have led to the current atomic theory. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dalton's atomic theory. • J. J. Thomson's model of the atom. • Rutherford's gold foil experiment • Bohr's planetary model. • Electron cloud model. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Illustrate how observations and conclusions from experimentation changed atomic theory over time. • Explain Dalton's atomic theory, which states the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Chemical elements are made up of atoms. 2) The atoms of an element are identical in their masses. (<i>Be sure students understand that this was shown to be false with the discovery of isotopes.</i>) 3) Atoms of different elements have different masses. 4) Atoms only combine in small, whole number ratios such as 1:1, 1:2, 2:3 and so on. • Explain and illustrate J. J. Thomson's plum pudding model. • Explain Rutherford's gold foil experimental conclusions. The atom is mainly empty space with a dense positively charged center. • Explain Bohr's model. Show how electrons are arranged in energy levels. Illustrate models with electrons in energy orbits. • Describe the electron cloud model and identify the number of electrons in each level ($2n^2$), focusing on the following levels: 2, 8, 18, and 32. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research scientists and their contributions to atomic theory. • Visually represent the progression of atomic theory • Build models of atoms • (<i>Bohr models are being used to give students a two-dimensional view of energy levels surrounding the nucleus. Bohr was only correct about the electron in the hydrogen atom orbiting the nucleus like a planet around the sun. The modern view explains electron orientation.</i>)
14/180	5.02 Examine the nature of atomic structure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protons. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe the charge, relative mass, and the location of protons, electrons, and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Inquiry Support Activity:</u>